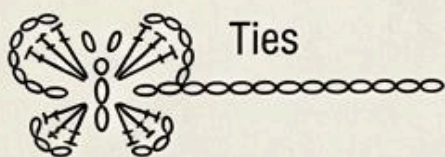
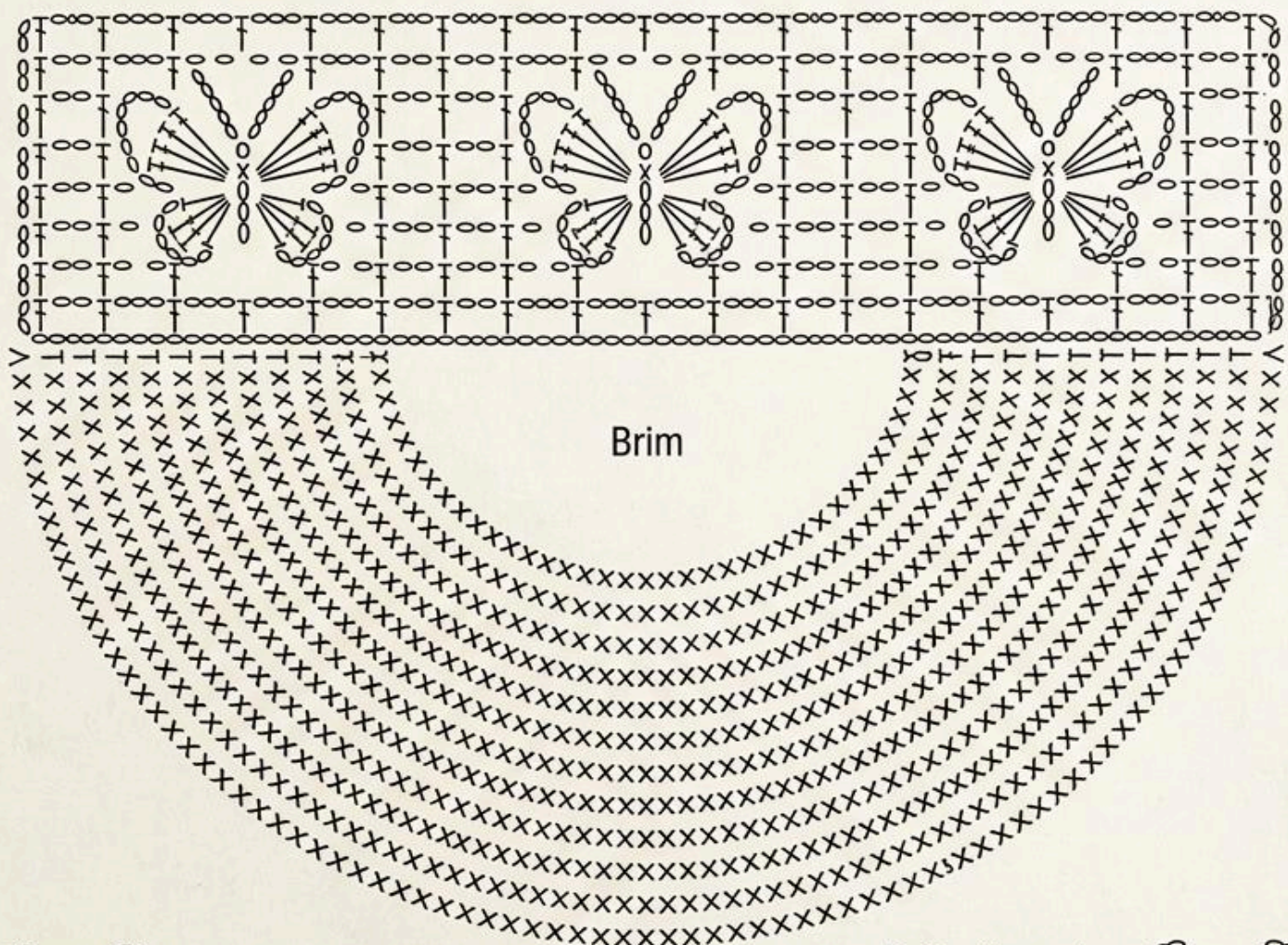


# Crochet Butterfly Cap Tutorial

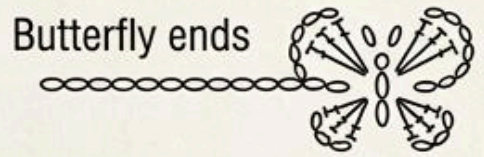
Create a beautiful butterfly-inspired crochet cap using the stitch diagram as your guide. This tutorial explains how to work the project from the brim to the decorative butterfly motifs. While the original chart does not include written stitch counts, the instructions below closely follow the visible stitch sequence and construction shown in the diagram.

## CROCHET BUTTERFLY VISOR DIAGRAM - US TERMS

Butterfly band



Brim



**Key**

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## Skill Level

Intermediate

Beginners can also complete this project if they are familiar with basic crochet stitches and know how to read crochet charts.

## Finished Size

One Size Adult

Approximate circumference: 21–23 inches (53–58 cm)

The cap is slightly stretchy and fits most adult head sizes.

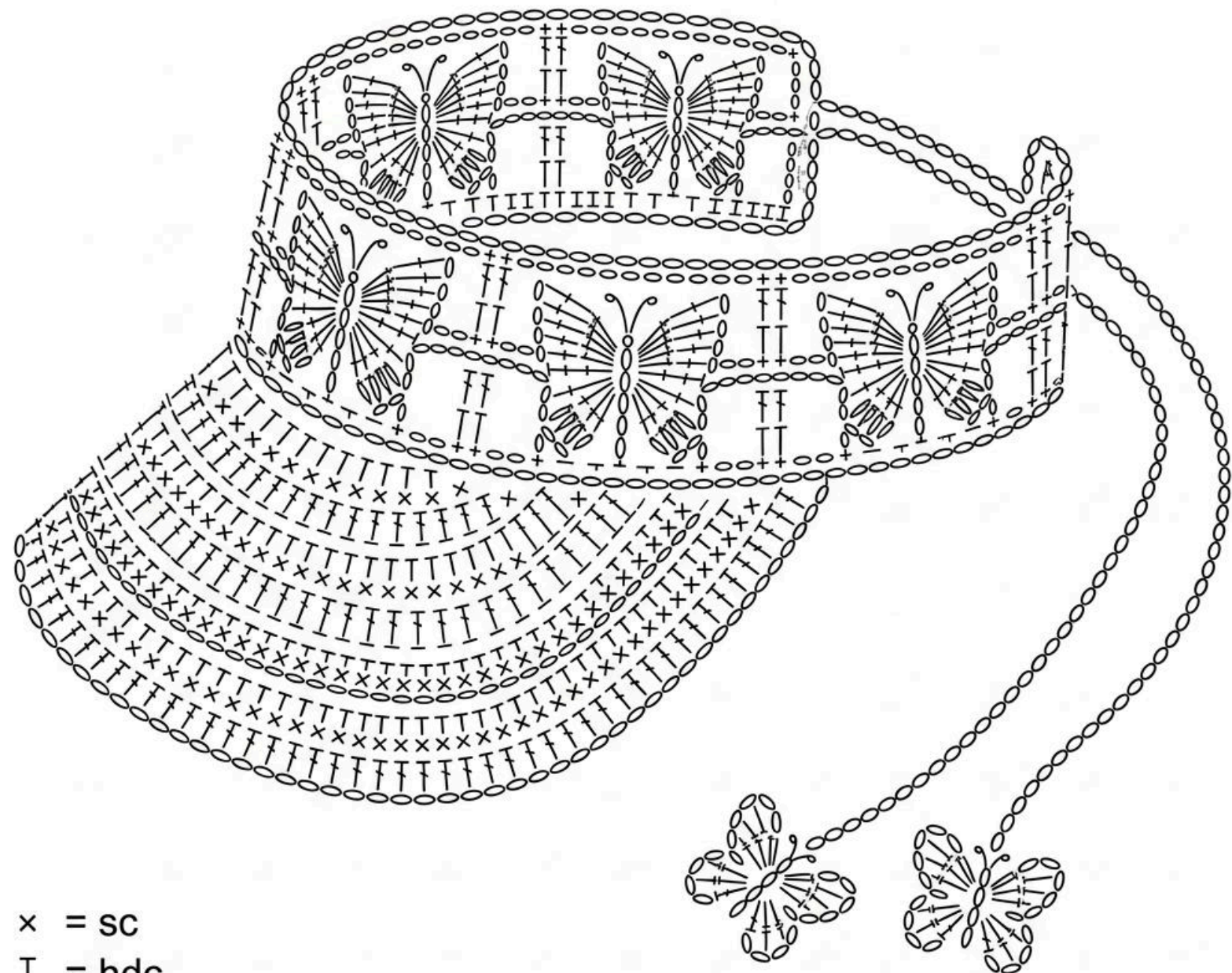
## Materials

- 250–350 yards (230–320 m) of lightweight cotton or cotton blend yarn (DK or Light Worsted #3)
- Crochet Hook:
  - 4.0 mm (G/6) or
  - 4.5 mm (7)
- Stitch markers
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Measuring tape

## US Crochet Abbreviations

- ch – chain
- sl st – slip stitch
- sc – single crochet
- hdc – half double crochet
- dc – double crochet
- cluster – cluster stitch
- st – stitch
- sp – space
- rep – repeat

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## **Special Stitch: Butterfly Cluster**

The butterfly motif shown in the chart is made with grouped double crochet clusters.

To make one butterfly:

1. Yarn over.
2. Insert hook into the indicated stitch.
3. Pull up a loop.
4. Yarn over and pull through two loops.
5. Repeat until the required partial double crochets are on the hook.
6. Yarn over and pull through all loops.
7. Chain as shown in the chart.
8. Repeat to create the opposite wing.
9. Continue with the center body following the diagram.

Each butterfly is worked directly into the fabric rather than sewn on later.

## **Step 1 – Foundation Chain**

Begin with a foundation chain long enough to comfortably fit around the head.

Make sure the chain is not twisted.

Join with a slip stitch to form a ring.

The chain should stretch comfortably without becoming loose.

## **Step 2 – Crochet the Brim**

The lower section of the chart is made almost entirely with Half Double Crochet stitches.

Round 1

Chain 2.

Work one HDC into every chain around.

Join with a slip stitch.

Round 2

Chain 2.

Work one HDC into every stitch.

Join.

Round 3

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Repeat Round 2.

Continue building the brim exactly as shown in the diagram.

The brim gradually becomes taller while maintaining an even fabric.

Keep your tension relaxed so the edge remains flexible.

### **Step 3 – Shape the Cap**

After completing the brim, begin following the slight inward shaping shown in the chart.

Continue working HDC stitches.

Distribute decreases evenly around the round whenever the fabric begins to curve naturally toward the crown.

Avoid making sudden decreases.

The shaping should be smooth and gradual.

Continue until the upper edge matches the width shown in the stitch diagram.

### **Step 4 – Begin the Butterfly Pattern**

Once the brim reaches the correct height, begin the decorative section.

Work a row of chain spaces separated by double crochet stitches exactly as illustrated.

This creates the foundation for the butterflies.

The butterflies should be evenly spaced around the cap.

### **Step 5 – Crochet the First Butterfly Row**

Work the first butterfly motif into the prepared chain spaces.

Each butterfly consists of:

- left wing
- center body
- right wing

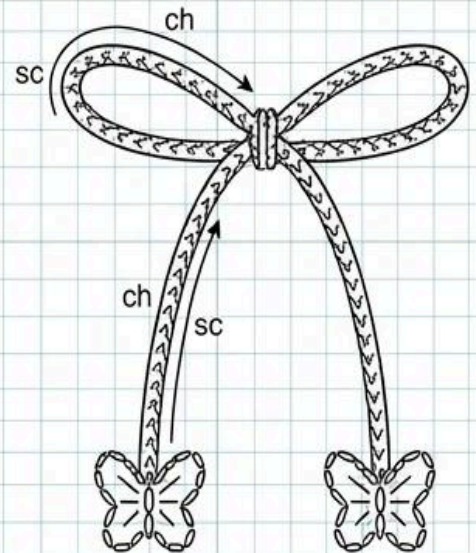
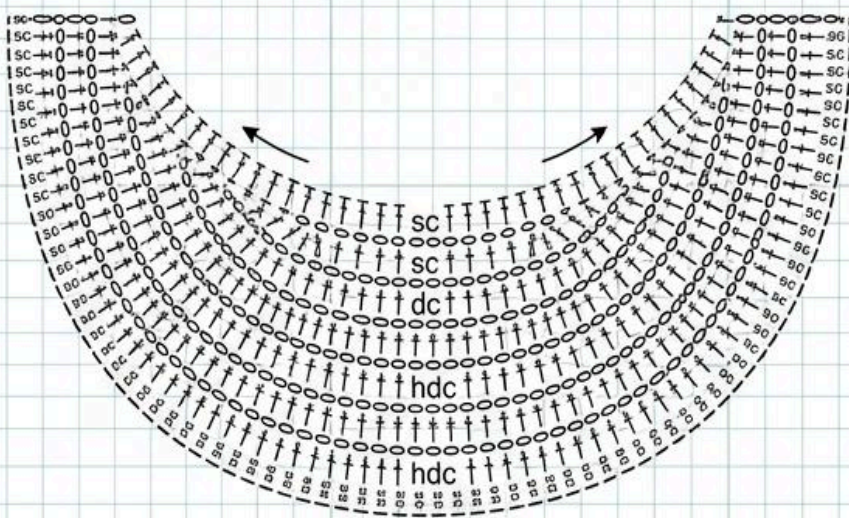
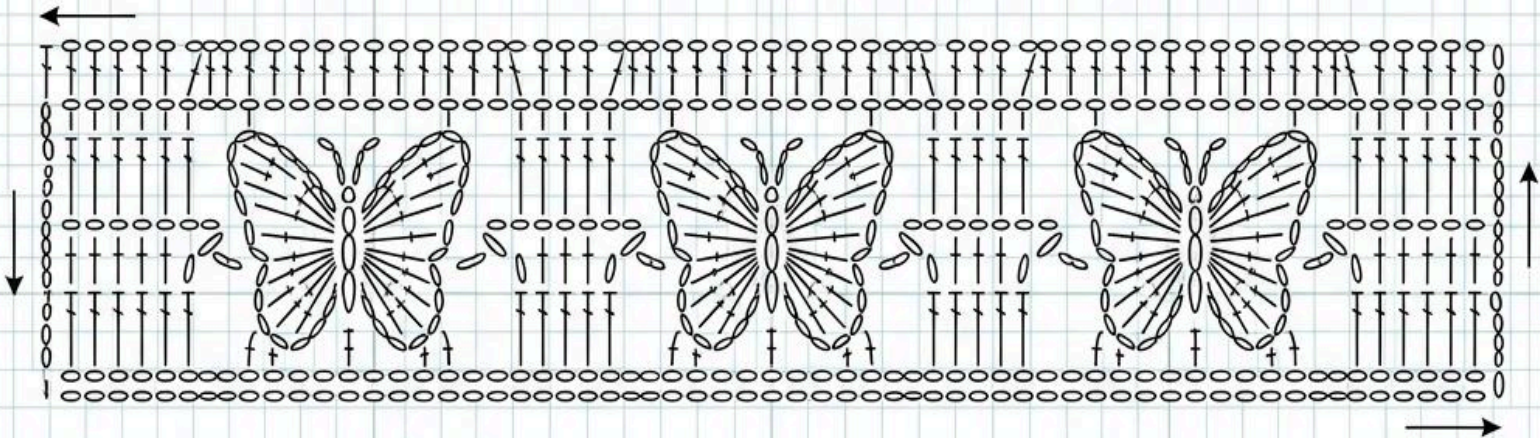
Use cluster stitches for each wing.

Separate the wings with chain stitches as shown.

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### Legend

- sc
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- ch
- sl st



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After each butterfly, continue with Double Crochet stitches until reaching the next repeat.

Repeat around the entire cap.

Join with a slip stitch.



## **Step 6 – Crochet the Spacer Row**

Between butterfly rows, crochet a spacer round.

Work:

- Double Crochet
- Chain spaces

This row separates the motifs and creates visual definition.

Keep the spacing even.

Do not tighten the chain stitches.



## **Step 7 – Crochet the Second Butterfly Row**

Repeat the butterfly sequence exactly as before.

Stack each butterfly directly above the butterfly from the previous row.

This creates neat vertical columns.

Complete the round.

Join with a slip stitch.



## **Step 8 – Upper Border**

After the final butterfly row, crochet the upper border.

Work alternating:

- Double Crochet
- Half Double Crochet

following the chart.

This stabilizes the top portion before finishing.

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## **Step 9 – Finish the Top Edge**

Work one final round using Half Double Crochet.

Join with a slip stitch.

Fasten off.

Weave in all yarn ends carefully with a yarn needle.

## **Step 10 – Crochet the Small Butterfly Appliqués**

The chart includes two small decorative butterflies.

Begin with a magic ring.

### **Round 1**

Chain 2.

Work the first wing using grouped double crochet stitches.

Chain.

Repeat for the second wing.

Tighten the magic ring.

### **Round 2**

Work the lower wings.

Each wing is made from cluster stitches separated by chain stitches.

Finish with a slip stitch.

Fasten off leaving a long yarn tail.

Make two butterflies.

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## Step 11 – Attach the Butterflies

Position the small butterflies on one side of the cap.

Experiment with the placement before sewing.

Using the yarn tails, stitch only through the center body of each butterfly.

Leave the wings free.

This allows them to lift naturally and creates a three-dimensional effect.

## Finishing

Inspect the cap for loose ends.

Secure all yarn tails.

Lightly steam or wet block the cap if needed.

Allow it to dry completely before wearing.

Avoid flattening the butterfly wings during blocking.

## Helpful Tips

- Keep an even crochet tension throughout the project.
- Count stitches at the end of every round.
- Use stitch markers to identify the beginning of each round.
- Blocking greatly improves the stitch definition.
- Cotton yarn provides crisp butterfly details, while acrylic creates a softer drape.
- If making the cap for a child, simply reduce the starting chain while maintaining the butterfly pattern repeat.

## Customization Ideas

- Sew pearls into the butterfly centers.
- Add small beads for sparkle.
- Crochet the butterflies in contrasting colors.
- Add a satin ribbon around the brim.
- Make matching butterfly earrings or hair clips with the extra appliqués.
- Create a matching scarf or fingerless gloves using the same butterfly stitch pattern.

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## **Congratulations!** 🎉

Your Crochet Butterfly Cap is complete! With its textured brim, elegant butterfly motifs, and dimensional appliqués, this design creates a charming handmade accessory suitable for everyday wear, gifts, craft fairs, or boutique collections. Take your time with the butterfly rows, maintain consistent tension, and enjoy watching the delicate motifs come to life as your cap takes shape.